

FIRE, BLOODSHED AND RIOTS AT BAKU

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ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 7, 2:50 a. m.—The news from Baku received up to the time of the filing of this dispatch is of the gloomiest character. The Armenian and Tartar warring factions now appear to be entirely beyond control. The streets of Baku seem to be unsafe for the inhabitants, and the force of troops to be inadequate to restrain the anarchical tendencies of the combatants in the surrounding region.

Force Troops to Withdraw.
According to reliable reports the troops have been forced to withdraw from the suburb of Balakhan, where Tuesday the rioters set fire to the oil works, and that place is now in the hands of the Tartars, who have completed the work of destruction, and who, it is said, massacred the inhabitants who did not accompany the troops in their retreat. Telephone and railroad communication between Baku and the suburban oil centers are cut, and late last night it was reported that the wires into Baku were down.

Fight Is Desperate.
The Viceroy of the Caucasus has dispatched reinforcements from Tiflis, but owing to the conditions throughout the whole of the southern part of the Caucasus, with these reinforcements the troops will be inadequate to cope with the situation. In the suburban region the fight is desperate, and the soldiers are using artillery.

Oil Industry Badly Crippled.
Representatives of the oil industry here are utterly despondent, and they declare that on the basis of the telegram so far received more than half of the industry in the Baku region has been wiped out, and that the fire is making rapid inroads into the remainder of the oil territory.

Question of Escaping Alive.
"It is no longer a question of saving our property, but one of getting out alive," a press dispatch from Baku, approved by the censor, says.

Great Fires Are Raging.
Other advices state that a hot fight is going on between Armenians and Tartars at Bibekhat, and that great fires are still raging at Sabunt and Noman, fed by immense tanks of oil, and that there are now in that region, and that the Tartars have been fired upon. Balakhan is on fire and the Armenians are surrounded by Tartar villages, apparently Tartars, and the cannonading there is unceasing.

Oil Men Appeal to Government.
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Gen. Miner Makes Formal Charges Against Taggart.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—The War department is awaiting the termination of the Taggart divorce suit, now in progress at the Supreme court, before it can take military action in the case. Gen. Miner, whose name has been drawn into the case by the divorce suit, is reported to be in the city, and it is most probable that he will be called upon to testify to make a thorough examination of the testimony so far taken.

Market Declined Sharply.
The higher middle classes, including commercial and financial men, remain strangely silent, but their disappointment is evident. The general public, reflecting the attitude of depression, declined sharply at the opening today and trading was sluggish.

Feeling of Chagrin.
NAGASAKI, Aug. 31.—The peace news was received without enthusiasm in the chief centers of Kiu Shiu province. There is a general feeling of chagrin at the settlement, and the results of the peace settlement, and there is disappointment, especially at the fact that permanent security from Russian aggression has not been secured.

Rioting Breaks Out at Tokio.
TOKIO, Sept. 6, 10 a. m.—Rioting broke out here last (Tuesday) night in connection with the dissatisfaction over the results of the peace settlement. There were several clashes with the police, and it is estimated that two were killed and 200 wounded. The rioting ceased at midnight. Police stations were the only property destroyed.

Russian Cruiser Leaves.
VALLEJO, Cal., Sept. 6.—The Russian cruiser Lena will leave here Saturday for San Francisco, to be docked, painted and scraped. She then will return for three days to the navy yard to take on her guns.

BLACK APPEARS FOR EQUITABLE

Former Governor Represents
Big Company in Commit-
tee's Investigation.

DECLARES EVERY AID WILL BE GIVEN TO INQUIRY

Legislators Want to Devise Laws to Compel Companies to Be Mutual.

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—Former Gov. Frank Black of this State appeared as counsel for the Equitable Life Assurance society before the joint legislative committee today when the committee commenced its investigation of life insurance conditions in this State. The committee is composed of Senators William W. Armstrong, chairman; Frank J. Tully and Daniel J. Riordan; and Assemblymen James T. Rogers, Robert Lynn Cox, William Wempie, Ezra A. Prentice, secretary, and John McKoon.

Nothing to Conceal.
"We have nothing to conceal, and no one to protect. We seek no legal technicalities to evade answering any questions. We will aid in every way the progress of the inquiry."

Purpose of Investigation.
"Our object will not be to punish anybody for wrong doing in the past, but to get at all of the salient features of the modern insurance business, so as to suggest to the next Legislature an adequate law that will not only protect the policyholder in all life insurance companies, but will likewise protect the insurance company's management from abuse at the hands of designing persons."

Bring Company's Books.
Several of the members of the life insurance company who had been subpoenaed appeared before the committee, as did several officers who were summoned. With them came the company's books, covering the business of the ten years. The officers present were John W. McCall, president; George W. Perkins, T. A. Buckner, D. P. King, chief actuary; E. R. Perkins, second vice-president; J. E. Randolph, treasurer, and many junior officers.

Quotes Henry B. Hyde.
In the opening of the hearing counsel for the committee stated that the position of the policyholders in the administration of the company was the evidence of the committee. He quoted the evidence of Henry B. Hyde, president of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance company, and Richard E. V. Lindbergh, the Metropolitan Life Insurance company.

Has By-Laws Identified.
Mr. Hughes, counsel for the committee, quoted from the charter of the Mutual Life Insurance company, which gave the policyholders in the administration of the company the right to elect officers, and had the by-laws of the company identified and placed on the record.

Only One Case of Proxy.
Vice-President Grannis testified that there had been only one case in the last five or six years of proxy cast by proxy in the Mutual Life Insurance company's elections. He estimated that President Richard A. McCurdy of the Mutual Life Insurance company, who was general manager of the Mutual, and received the reply that this position was filled by Robert A. Grannis, son of the president of the company.

Relies on Officers.
Walter G. Oakman, himself a trustee of the Mutual, who testified that he had served as an inspector of the company, was asked how he knew that the officers were genuine policyholders. In reply he said that there was no examination of credentials, no presentation of affidavits or any other way of certifying of officers, and that he relied on the fact that the officers of the company, who he said, were always present during the two-hour election period, to tell him whether the officers presenting themselves were entitled to vote.

Accepts Voters' Statements.
George M. Canning, president of the United States Mortgage Trust company, who had acted as a Mutual election inspector, was asked how he knew that the officers were genuine policyholders. In reply he said that there was no examination of credentials, no presentation of affidavits or any other way of certifying of officers, and that he relied on the fact that the officers of the company, who he said, were always present during the two-hour election period, to tell him whether the officers presenting themselves were entitled to vote.

New York Life Salaries.
The president's salary, he said, was \$20,000. The salaries of the first vice-presidents were \$25,000 and \$20,000, and the three second vice-presidents and the three third vice-presidents were \$15,000 and \$10,000, respectively. There were, Mr. McCall said, about 25,000 proxies in the names of the president and vice-presidents.

Edward Rhodes Appeared for the Mutual.
Edward Rhodes appeared for the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance company of New York, which does business in New York. He said that the salaries paid to the officers of the New Jersey company

PAT CROWE SHOTS OMAHA OFFICER IN LEG

Fugitive Again Returns to Old
Haunts and Again Es-
capes Police.

OMAHA, Sept. 6.—During a running fight between police officers and a man believed to be Pat Crowe, the alleged kidnaper of Eddie Cuddey, and a companion, just before midnight tonight, Patrolman Albert Jackson was shot through the leg and the two men made their escape. None of the other officers was injured. A large detail of officers was immediately sent to the spot to try to locate the fugitives. The fight occurred on lower sixteenth street, where the men were discovered by Officer Jackson in a saloon.

Had Force on Trail.
Ever since Crowe returned to Omaha several weeks ago, Chief Donahue has had a force of officers, most of them in citizens clothing seeking to capture him. This task was extremely difficult because none of the officers knew Crowe, Jackson being an exception. It was learned by the police that Crowe was in Omaha and extra efforts were made to locate him. Jackson and Officer Leary were sent to lower sixteenth street, where Crowe was believed to be.

Open Fire When Followed.
About 11 o'clock tonight Jackson saw a man whom he recognized as Crowe, with a companion in a saloon at sixteenth and Dorcas streets. He sent Leary to a telephone to secure additional officers, meantime watching the man himself. The men left the saloon just as a car, carrying additional officers came up, and Jackson started to follow them. Seeing that they were being followed, the two men opened fire on Jackson, emptying their revolvers, one bullet breaking Jackson's leg.

Officers in Pursuit.
The other officers started in pursuit, Jackson in the lead, and he was sent after the fugitives. The latter, however, made good a temporary escape. Half the police force was sent to the district in which the shooting occurred and was put to work to locate and arrest the pair. This they had not been successful in doing up to midnight.

Don't Doubt It Is Crowe.
While the police have no positive knowledge that the one who was Crowe, they do not hesitate to believe that such is the case. Officer Jackson, who was acquainted with Crowe, says that there can be no doubt of the identity of the man. He says the man recognized him and realizing that he was an officer, took a desperate chance of getting away by using his revolver.

WANTS REMINDER OF GLORY
Suggest Bronze Tablet Be Placed on Walls of Peace Building.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Sept. 6.—Life in the picturesque section in New England which for the last four weeks has centered around the proceedings of the peace conference, began slipping back into normal channels today with the departure of M. Witte and the Russian mission on a special train for New York and the members of the Japanese entourage who did not go with Baron Komura last night.

Cheered as They Depart.
M. Witte was up early this morning and before he had taken breakfast a crowd had assembled on the hotel veranda to see him off. He shook hands with each of the persons gathered about him and when he started he was given cheers and cries of "Adieu."

May Preserve Table.
At the navy yard the work has already begun of restoring the general store to its former condition. The furniture to be shipped back to Washington, including the table which the treaty was signed. This piece of furniture may be preserved by the Department of State and the peace building which the plenipotentiaries sat. The building will, however, continue to be known as "the peace building."

Thanks Capt. Winslow.
Capt. McR. Winslow, commanding the Michigan, who was among the last to take leave of M. Witte, the Russian plenipotentiary, thanked Capt. Winslow in his own and the Emperor's name for the hospitality which M. Witte and his mission had enjoyed aboard the Michigan, and presented him with an autograph photograph.

Suggest Bronze Tablet.
In perpetuation of the historic part which the navy yard has played in the last month, it has been suggested that a bronze tablet be placed on the building, adding commemorative of the "Peace of Portsmouth" brought about within its walls.

WOMAN AND BABE BURN

Boy Proves a Hero in Attempting
Their Rescue.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Sept. 6.—News has been received here of a terrible accident at Gila Bend, resulting in the death of Mrs. D. Wintermute and babe and the slight injury of her seven-year-old son, who was always present during the two-hour election period, to tell him whether the officers presenting themselves were entitled to vote.

Idaho Falls Man Ill.
Special to The Tribune.
OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 6.—M. W. Lord, the Idaho Falls sheep owner, has arrived in the South Omaha market seriously ill.

MUST HANG FRIDAY
John Hancock to Swing for Murder of Ten Years Ago.

RENO, Nev., Sept. 6.—The Supreme court of Nevada today handed down a decision denying a motion for a new trial in the case of John Hancock, charged with murdering two men on the desert ten years ago.

Logging Camp Burns.
ALBANY, O., Sept. 6.—Fire has again broken out in the forests east of Albany, burning this afternoon. The men barely escaped from the camp with their lives. Last week a fire was thought to be under control, but high wind this morning fanned the embers into flames. It is now traveling into the Cascade mountains, destroying the fine body of timber and doing other damage.

UPHOLDING THE LAW.



The Hierarch Abides by the Law When It Brings Him Profit and Deprives the Poor Woman of Her Home.

UNITED STATES MAIL SALT LAKE ROAD TO DRIVERS GO ON STRIKE

Three Hundred of Them in New York Quit Work to Enforce Demands.

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—Three hundred drivers of United States mail wagons quit their jobs at 10 o'clock tonight. More than a score of them deserted their wagons at the mail-street entrance of the general post office after they had received word that the strike had been decided upon. It is an echo of the trouble over wages and working hours made known by the men say that the agreement the bosses made with them has not been lived up to. They also demand an increase of wages.

Keep Service Running.
Acting Superintendent of Mails Fox said at the postoffice, after the men had left the wagons, that, although there were 150 mail wagons in the city, the railroad stations and branch offices up to 3 o'clock Thursday morning, he thought there would be no difficulty in keeping the service running.

Couldn't Effect Settlement.
All of the men are employed by the New York mail company. The 215 men in conference tonight, in view of the question of strike, decided unanimously according to the statement of the president, Thomas Tandy, to go on strike. He says that H. G. Wallcott, the manager of the New York mail company, and E. Travis made an agreement at the time of the temporary settlement of the difficulty previously that the men would be adjusted permanently on the first of this month. He declared that he has been unable to effect any settlement.

Two-Horse Drivers Want Raise.
"The understanding was," said Tandy, "that we were to get \$2 a day. The men driving the one-horse wagons are content with this agreement, but the drivers of the two-horse wagons want \$2 a day more."

FELL FROM FERRIS WHEEL
Woman Killed Instantly and Her Husband May Die.

ST. PAUL, Sept. 6.—In the presence of thousands of visitors at the State fair late this afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Eucel, of Eucel, Wis., fell from the upper car of a Ferris wheel to the ground, a distance of nearly 100 feet. Mrs. Eucel was badly injured and her husband was so badly injured that he may not live.

WOULD SHOOT FORTESCUE
Capt. Taggart Gives Sensational Testimony in Divorce Trial.

WOOSTER, O., Sept. 6.—Capt. Taggart was on the witness stand today in his divorce trial now being heard here. The Captain testified that upon one occasion while he and his wife were living at Leavenworth he had told his wife he would shoot Lieut. Fortescue if he came home with her.

Guard Dies of Fever.
VICKSBURG, Miss., Sept. 6.—One new case of yellow fever was reported today, making a total of fifteen, ten of which are still under treatment. An autopsy performed today on the body of a quarantined guard who died south of the city last night shows that death was due to yellow fever, the first fatality to occur in this vicinity.

THIRTEEN NEW CASES CHOLERA

Total of Ninety Cases and Twenty-Six Deaths Reported at Berlin.

INFECTED AREA IS CONSIDERABLY WIDENED

Several New Cases From Towns on River Oder, Which Has Become Tainted.

BERLIN, Sept. 6.—An official bulletin just issued says that thirteen new cases of cholera and two deaths were reported during the twenty-four hours ending at noon today, making the total ninety cases and twenty-six deaths.

Infected Area Widens.
The infected area was sensibly widened today. The river Oder has become tainted. Three cases have been reported from the administrative district of Frankfurt on the Oder, in three small places along the stream among the river men.

Quarantine Boatmen.
Thirty boatmen have been quarantined at Kustrin, a railway town near the union of the Oder and the Warthe. Sharp sanitary precautions have been taken throughout the district.

THIRD CASE AT HAMBURG.
All Come From Emigrants Who Landed in the Town.

HAMBURG, Sept. 6.—A case of cholera, the third up to date, was found today in the heart of the business and hotel districts here. The new case is that of a Polish woman living in a thinly-populated alley. The health authorities expect to discover several more cases as the result of this one.

Same Source as Others.
The authorities trace the latest case of cholera to the same source as the other two. When the Russian emigrants came to Hamburg they were permitted to enter the town, where they visited a dance hall. Here the woman evidently came into contact with them. She had been in the Eppendorfer hospital, but may recover. Dr. McLaughlin in an interview with the Associated Press today said:

Authorities Are Frank.
"I am very much pleased with the frankness and openness both of the authorities and the steamship companies. Today I was informed of the discovery of the latest case, but it was officially published and this information enabled me to promptly visit the infected house and neighborhood in which it was situated. I found that the precautions taken were most effective."

No Danger of Coming Over.
"The methods of the Hamburg-American Steamship company are very thorough, and there is no danger of the disease spreading to the United States. The American regulations require the detention of emigrants from an infected country. This week the company has a clean bill of health to the Graf Waldersee for the thousand emigrants now detained on the Bulgaria in mid-stream between Hamburg."

Declares the Germ Cholera.
Dr. McLaughlin assisted at the bacteriological examination of today's case and declared the germ to be that of cholera. He called the authorities at Washington to that effect.

DO NOT RECOGNIZE TRUCE
Armies in Far East Improving Time Pending Actual Armistice.

TOKIO, Sept. 2.—Delayed in transmission.—An official report says: "The Japanese army attacked the Russians at Chongtuyang on September 1. The Russian forces consisted of four battalions, six guns and several hundred cavalry. The district was mountainous and difficult, but finally the Japanese artillery successfully attacked the Russian line and occupied their position at 3 in the morning."

Russians Left Forty Dead.
Another Japanese detachment defeated the Russians at Heonienkoku and pursued them. Japanese casualties were one officer killed and the Russian forces were wounded. The Russians left forty dead on the field.

Artillery Fire Repulses Japs.
ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 6.—Telegraphing to Emperor Nicholas under date of September 6, Gen. Lindvich reported that the Japanese September 4 started to advance along the Mardarin road and commenced constructing entrenchments, but retired after meeting the Russian artillery fire.

Series of Fights at Korea.
TOKIO, Sept. 6.—The Japanese defeated the Russians in a series of sharp engagements in northern Korea on September 1.

Woman Prisoner Hangs Herself.
SITKA, Alaska, Sept. 6.—Liesle Anderson, a female political prisoner, committed suicide here today by hanging.

British Consul Dies.
CARACAS, Sept. 6.—William Andral, the British Consul here, died today.